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Re application of

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SOFT BIT COMPUTATION FOR A REDUCED STATE EQUALIZER For:

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Ex Parte Quayle Office Action dated December 28, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited today with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

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